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1. VOA CZECHOSLOVAK SERVICE SENT EXPERIENCED SPECIAL EVENTS OFFICER KOCOUREK TO NASHVILLE TO COVER PARTICIPATION URBANKOVA'S COUNTRY BEAT GROUP IN INTERNATIONAL COUNTRY MUSIC FESTIVAL. TWO ON-THE-SCENE REPORTS BROADCAST TO CZECHOSLOVAKIA. TAPES OF FESTIVAL MUSIC BEING USED AS BASIS FOR ADDITIONAL SHOWS.

2. GROUP DECLINED INTERVIEW. WHEN KOCOUREK INTRODUCED HIMSELF, GROUP MEMBERS SAID THEY "HAD ALREADY HEARD OF HIM". ONE MEMBER TOLD KOCOUREK CONFIDENTIALLY THAT GROUP INSTRUCTED NOT GRANT INTERVIEW.

3. TAPES OF CZECH AND OTHER GROUPS IN INTERNATIONAL SHOW BEING AIR SHIPPED. COPY OF TAPES MAY BE GIVEN URBANKOVA GROUP IF EMBASSY DESIRES. SO FAR AS WE AWARE, GROUP DOES NOT KNOW TAPES WERE MADE. SHOULD EMBASSY WISH GIVE COPIES OF TAPES TO CZECHOSLOVAK RADIO OR OTHER ORGANIZATION,
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TAPES MAY NOT BE REPRODUCED. THERE WOULD BE NO SUCH
RESTRICTIONS ON CZECH PORTION OF TAPES. SHOULD
CZECHOSLOVAK WISH USE TAPES BEYOND FOREGOING
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